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Report of the Fifth Committee

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I. Introduction

1. At its 19th to 21st and 40th meetings, from 29 to 31 October and on 24 December 2001, the Fifth Committee, pursuant to rule 153 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, considered the statement by the Secretary-General (A/C.5/55/46 and Corr.1 and Add.1) on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.4/55/L.23 on the comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects. At the 19th meeting, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/56/478).

2. Statements and comments made in the course of the Committee's consideration of the question are reflected in the relevant summary records (A/C.5/56/SR.19-21 and 40).

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Decision of the Fifth Committee

3. The Fifth Committee decided to inform the General Assembly that the adoption of the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/55/572/Add.1) would require:

(a) An additional appropriation of $1,575,700 under the following sections of the programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003: $376,400 under section 3, Political affairs; $888,800 under section 22, Human rights; and $127,900 under section 27, Management and central support services. An additional appropriation of $182,600 would also be required under section 32, Staff assessment, offset by a corresponding amount in the estimates of income under income section 1, Income from staff assessment;

(b) Approval of an additional 121 posts funded under the support account for peacekeeping operations and their related post and non-post requirements in the amount of $16,103,750 gross ($14,889,500 net) for the period from 1 July 2001 to 30 June 2002.

4. The Fifth Committee also draws the attention of the General Assembly to draft resolution A/C.5/56/L.32, entitled "Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects", recommended to the Assembly for adoption, in connection with the aforementioned programme budget implications of the report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/55/572/Add.1).